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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 35-54 are pending. By this Amendment, the specification is amended, claims 35-54 are added, and claims 1-34 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Support for the claims can be found throughout the specification, including the original claims, and the drawings. Withdrawal of the rejections in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-23 and 27-34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over Ogikubo (hereinafter "Ogikubo"), U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0063528 and claims 24-26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Ogikubo, in view of Thiagarajan et al. (hereinafter "Thiagarajan"), U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0221194. Claims 1-34 have been canceled, and thus, these rejections are moot.

Added claims 35-54 define over the applied prior art and meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

> Respectfully submitted, KED & ASSOCIATES, LLP

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